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July 9, 2008

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H.  
*[Signature]* Director and Health Officer

**SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S (DPH) USE  
OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH THE  
REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SAN FRANCISCO/  
CALIFORNIA POISON CONTROL SYSTEM**

This is to advise you that I am exercising the delegated authority as approved by your Board on July 31, 2007, to select providers and to negotiate and execute bioterrorism and public health emergency preparedness related contracts and amendments, with contract maximum obligations not to exceed \$500,000 per contract, and 100 percent funded by the CDC and/or CDHS.

Under this delegated authority, DPH will enter into an agreement with the Regents of the University of California at San Francisco (UCSF) which operates the California Poison Control System (CPCS). The purpose of this Agreement is to improve Real-Time Disease Detection (RTDD) by improving systems for the collection of Real-Time Poison Control data; this is relevant to rapid disease detection and detection of chemical, biological, and radiological events.

This Agreement is effective upon date of execution by the parties through August 9, 2008, at a total maximum obligation of \$357,500, and is 100 percent funded under the RTDD portion of CDC's Notice of Award 5U90TP917012-08, effective August 31, 2007 through August 9, 2008. Lengthy negotiations with UCSF prevented this agreement from being completed earlier. However it is expected that UCSF CPCS will complete the majority of activities stated in agreement by the end of the term; with remaining activities to be supported by funding requested from the CDC that will be effectuated by a future contract.

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County Counsel and Chief Executive Office have approved the agreement as to form.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

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County Counsel  
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